

just because he is little. I should think he might be taught to give up to me sometimes. I hate this growing up.' When William felt this way he had a very bad growing pain indeed. It hurt him a long time, and then he said: 'I promised Jesus that I would try to be strong, and kind to everything weaker than myself. I have a pony and a bicycle; let Oscar have the ride with grandfather.'"

"Why, grandfather, how did you know?" cried William.

"Because I have had that kind of growing pains myself for thirty years, and I know that I shall never get over them till I go to live in heaven."—*Westminster Junior Quarterly*.

#### A Day's Review

"Have you been happy this livelong day,  
Dear little maiden, at rest from play?"

"Tell me the tale of the day just done;  
Have you been happy from sun to sun?"

"It was most all lovely, mamma," she said,  
Hanging a little her golden head,

"Except when Tom was cross with me;  
But I was cross with him first, you see.

"But the rest of the time, I think, was good:  
I tried to do just as you said I should.

"I'm sorry the cross things happened so;  
Tomorrow I'll be as good as I know."

"Listen, my darling, with eyes so clear,  
The days are just what you make them, dear.

"Be willing, loving, and sweet and kind,  
Then the world's full of sunshine, as you will find.

"Now say your prayers and shut your eyes,  
Till another happy day shall rise."

—*Christian Standard*.

## Sisters' Society C. E.

#### Meyersdale S. S. C. E.

The Meyersdale S. S. for C. E. is actively alive. Their annual spring apron and bonnet sale and festival held at the parsonage some time ago was a great success, socially and financially, netting nearly fifty dollars. Among the good work recently done by this noble society we can mention a generous contribution to the Washington City church building, and an equally generous remittance to "The Christian Herald," New York, to be applied to the Indian Famine Relief Work, and lastly a highly appreciated present to the pastor's wife in a new washing machine and wringer, which is a great help to the woman as the pastor can testify by the early Monday morning sweat of his brow. Many thanks. God bless the good work of the S. S. C. E. everywhere.

JOHN H. KNEPPER, pastor.

Tiosa, Ind.

There has been no report from our society at this place yet. I am glad that we can say that we have a good S. S. C. E., and the work is moving along harmoniously with sister Annie Lewis as president and sister Lillie Packer as vice president, and with loyal members enough to always have a good meeting every time they meet. A part of the members live in the country and it is al-

most impossible for all to be present at one meeting. We have learned that it often encourages members to meet in their homes.

We have thirty-one members enrolled, and we have a rule to meet every two weeks for our regular services, and meet as enrolled, and meeting in a home until we have met with from the first to the last name on the roll, and if the home provides work for the day we do that first and if no work, then we do some kind of hand work that can be easily carried to the place of meeting. And when our work is crowding us we have a call meeting to work and omit all things of a business nature.

We have had two meetings in one week and at the place that is the most convenient. Our work varies in all kinds of unquestionable work and I am glad to report that there has been no unquestionable thing before our meetings yet, for some of us have been brought up to dislike the name of festival or social festive supper (for the purpose to increase the funds), that we hate them as badly as tho they were all rattlesnakes, and we do hope there will never any of them come crawling in to disturb our peace. We are often surprised and astonished to read that at some places of our dear brotherhood they have petted the so much disliked thing, and have allowed them to increase their funds.

Now, dear sisters, we do love to read the S. S. C. E. columns and search for something that we may learn to grow still better. We love to read your plans and rules, or system of work. We do not care about your telling who or which the best dishwasher is at a festival, as the person did that told Brother Perry when asked about the work.

Do you work under a committee plan? How do you get the brother sisters to work? We at this place look to them because of their loyalty and encouragement in providing conveyances.

But to name the work that the Brethren are most adapted to, is in the Sunday-school room, for we have a good school with brother D. C. Swonger and brother Albert Wooley as leaders, and we are so glad of that because at some places that we know of the sisters have to superintend the school. We praise the Lord for the workers and the work, for the success, increase and joy.

We have four general committees: membership, program, Christian service and work or lookout committees. Sister Detwiler, you know it is just six months since we accepted the national constitution. There was joy and harmony in the work before but now we have had joy in sending our semi-annual remittance for thirty-one members, which is \$3.10. According to I Chron. 29: 17, we want to continue to share in the joy, and to continue in the fellowship of the Spirit, Rom. 14: 17; 18: 19.

LAURA A. KARN, Sec.

God keeps his choicest cordials for the time of our deepest fainting.—*Mrs. Stowe*.

## Our Young People

#### Which Are You?

The two kinds of people on earth, I ween,  
Are the people who lift and the people who lean,

Wherever you go you will find the world's masses  
Are always divided in just these two classes,

And, oddly enough, you will find, too, I ween,  
There is only one lifter to twenty who lean.

In which class are you? Are you easing the load  
Of overtaxed lifters who toil down the road?

Or are you a leaner, who let others bear  
Your portion of labor and worry and care?

—*Ella Wheeler Wilcox*.

#### THE POWER OF A TEMPERATE LIFE

Daniel 1: 1-17

Topic, May 20. (*Quarterly Temperance Meeting*.)

#### SEED THOUGHTS

The best work one can do for temperance is to live temperately, for the best argument for temperate living is a temperate life.

The light itself rebukes the darkness; the beauty of holiness puts to shame the rags of sinfulness, and the power of a sober, godly life stands out in attractive beauty in contrast with the weakness and foulness of lust and debauchery.

If one did not believe in God yet a knowledge of the law of the survival of the fittest would inspire faith that the righteous will in the end inherit the earth. But this law is only one of the expressions of God's working. He has ordered the universe so that as Drummond says, "All nature is on the side of him who tries to rise." We have so often looked upon the sorry sight of men, made in the image of God, with the crown of virtue torn from the brow, the light of the eye gone out and the very life-blood corrupted by disease—the whole career for time and eternity ruined by intemperance, that now it is pleasing and profitable to consider the power of the temperate life.

In the New Testament the word temperate is used in the sense of self-control and this applies not only to drink, but to all the appetites and passions, physical or mental.

It is sinful to destroy one's manhood or womanhood by youthful indulgence in sensual pleasures, but it is also sinful to wilfully shorten life by late hours, irregular habits, overwork or what is worse, habitual idleness.

Body and soul develop by proper care and exercise and virtue becomes its own reward. This reward is reaped not only in physical strength and temporal prosperity, but also in that priceless possession—character, and in the fruit a good life bears in the lives of others both by heredity and by example.

Daniel was not thinking of us when he held firmly to his temperate habits yet his example (written down for this very purpose I Cor. 10: 5, 6) has inspired every generation since and will continue to the end of time. What an inspiration to follow it.

#### SCRIPTURE HELP

(Let the leader or some one else—prepared beforehand—speak on each of these topics explaining the references and developing the thought.)

*How Daniel Came to be Temperate and the Lessons for us*

1 Good blood. When Nebuchadnezzar took Judah into captivity he left only the inferior families behind (II Kings 25: 12.) Daniel and his companions were from the best families. Compare this with Timothy's start in life. (II Tim. 1: 5.) There will be no more important point in this lesson than the truth that parents determine largely the careers of their children before they are born. As an illustration, Ingersoll was the son of a pious Presbyterian minister but during the months preceding his birth his mother had a craze for reading sceptical litera-